

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present amendments, Claims 1 and 5 will be amended. Claims 1-8 will remain pending in the present application, with Claims 1 and 5 being independent claims. Claims 1-3, 5 and 6 are again rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Kokubo (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0119562 A1). Claims 4 and 8 are again rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Kokubo in view of Kido (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2001/0016508 A1).

Claims 1 and 5 have been amended to recite, in part, that the first display and second display always face upward in the same direction.

Kokubo describes a sub-display unit 142 that does not rotate around the hinge unit 140. When the main display unit 122 is open, the main display unit 122 and the sub-display unit face the same direction, as shown in Fig. 1A of Kokubo. However, when the main display unit 122 is closed, the main display unit 122 and the sub-display unit face opposite directions, as shown in Fig. 1B of Kokubo.


In contrast, the first display 212 and the second display 310 of the present invention always face upward in the same direction, regardless of whether the first display 212 is opened or closed.

Accordingly, Kokubo fails to teach all of the features of Claims 1 and 5, and Claims 1 and 5 are allowable over Kokubo.

While not conceding the patentability of the dependent claims, *per se*, Claims 2-4 and 6-8 are also allowable for at least the above reasons.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 1-8, are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicant's attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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